

RUSSIANS WIN NAVAL VICTORY

Teuton Dreadnaught, Three
Cruisers and Seven Tor-
pedo Boats Sunk

REJOICING FOLLOWS.

Populace Believed Result of Fight in
Gulf of Riga Answer to Prayer—
Hindenburg Checked.

Petrograd, Aug. 23.—An official
statement from the admiralty today
regarding the Russian naval victory
in the Gulf of Riga conflicted in some
respects with the announcement made
in the duma yesterday.

The admiralty statement said that
"one of the best German dreadnaughts
was sunk by a British submarine,"
and that "at least two German cruis-
ers and eight torpedoboats were sunk."
"The Russian gunboat Sivuch was
set in flames after a brilliant fight
and sank, carrying down with her a
German torpedo boat," said the admir-
alty statement.

The statement made by the presi-
dent of the Duma declared that the
German dreadnaught Moltke, three
German cruisers and seven torpedo-
boats were sunk, and that the Rus-
sians afterward sank four German
barges loaded with troops. The ad-
miralty statement made no claim to
the sinking of the German troop ships.

For the first time since the Russians
took Pzemyel with 117,000 prisoners,
Petrograd celebrated the naval vic-
tory today with services of thank-
sgiving in the cathedrals.

Sinking of the German dreadnaught
and ten other German warships in
the Gulf of Riga the populace took as
a divine answer to their prayers for
victory, offered up in great religious
demonstrations one week ago.

The Russian fleet was greatly aid-
ed in its attack on the German naval
forces by British destroyers and sub-
marines.

It is not impossible that the Moltke
was the German cruiser referred to in
the official statement that a British
submarine had destroyed a German
dreadnaught in the Baltic.

Along with the news of a naval vic-
tory came word from the war office
that von Hindenburg's attempt to
turn the Russian right flank has met
with stubborn resistance that has
brought the Germans to a halt.

London, August 23.—The Germans
suffered heavy losses in the naval
battle in the Gulf of Riga Satur-
day.

A dispatch to the Central News
Service from Petrograd says:

"The president of the Duma has
announced that the Germans lost the
battleship Moltke, three cruisers and
seven torpedo boats in the Riga bat-
tle."

The announcement of the president
of the Duma, as sent by the corres-
pondent, follows:
"In the Riga battle the Germans
lost one superdreadnaught, the Mol-
tke, three cruisers and seven torpedo
boats."

"The German fleet has withdrawn
from Riga Bay."

"The Germans tried to make a des-
cent near Pernpn (Pernig), on the
east shore of the Gulf of Riga, some
35 miles north of Riga). Four barges
crammed with soldiers took part in
the descent. They were repulsed by
the Russian troops without co-operation
of artillery, the Germans being
exterminated and the barges captu-
red."

Earlier in the evening this dis-
patch was received from Petrograd:
"The German fleet has left the Gulf
of Riga."

"Our destroyer in the Black Sea
have sunk over a hundred boats."

The German battle cruiser was a
vessel of 23,000 tons and carried in
ordinary times a complement of 1,107
men. She was a sister ship of the
famous Goeben, which became a part
of the Turkish Navy after the com-
mencement of the war and was re-
christened Sultan Selim.

The Moltke was 590 feet long and
was armed with ten 11-inch and
twelve 6-inch guns and twelve 24
pounders. In addition, her armament

TORNADO IN PENNSYLVANIA

Great Damage by Rain and Wind
Saturday Night in Hanover

Hanover, Pa., Aug. 23.—The tor-
nado which struck Hanover shortly
after 9 o'clock Saturday night drew
thousands of people to the scene of
the disaster yesterday. Every road
leading into the town was thronged
with automobiles and carriages and
hundreds went by trolley as far as
the cars would take them. Linemen
were busy in every direction straight-
ening up poles and tying wires tem-
porarily, so as to resume active ser-
vice and get the proper mediums
of intercourse to working. The storm
lasted but a short time, but played
havoc with buildings, telephone poles
and wires while acting its part. The
wind came from the southwest and
southeast, and met in the northwest
and then made a dive toward the cen-
ter. It was during this time that the
wind began to whistle and then chop
down on the center of Hanover.

The people had but little warning.
Streets were crowded with shoppers
going to and from their homes, and
many had crowded into the picture
shows for the evening performance.
Almost in an instant bricks and tim-
bers began to fly in every direction.
Telephone poles were snapped, trees
were bent low and the people began
to scamper indoors. For a time it
looked as if the entire city would be
destroyed. A small wagon in front of
the postoffice was turned upside down
and the mail blew in every direction.
Automobiles standing on the street
were more or less damaged.

The windstorm was preceded by a
terrible rain. This drove the majority
of the people under shelter and prob-
ably saved the lives of a number of
them. The cyclone lasted about 50
seconds and covered an area of about
400 yards wide, doing its greatest
damage on Abbottstown and Penn
streets. It looked for a time as if
there might be a terrible panic in
the Hanover Theater. Four hundred
people had crowded in there to look
at the pictures. The roof was blown
off and the ceiling fell, much of it
striking the audience. Some prayed,
screamed and cursed. All got out
without anyone being seriously hurt.

It is estimated that the loss is ap-
proximately \$200,000, with only a
small percentage covered by storm
insurance. Fortunately no one was
killed.

TRANSPORT DESTROYED

Turkish Ship Blown up By Daring
Aviator

Mitylene, Aug. 23.—An exploit
which may be favorably compared in
importance of result attained, if not
in daring of execution, to that of
Lieut. Warneford, V. C., was per-
formed on August 12 by Flight Lieut.
Edmonds in the Dardanelles.
While flying over the straits in a
seaplane, he sighted a Turkish trans-
port carrying troops. Making
straight for his quarry, he descend-
ed low enough to be able to drop a
heavy bomb full on the deck of the
vessel, resulting in an explosion
which split up the transport, which
perished with all on board.

This is the greatest feat yet at-
tained by a seaplane since the out-
break of the war, as no airmen yet
had succeeded in sinking a military
vessel laden with troops.

A French airmen recently dropped
bombs close to and is believed to have
damaged if not actually destroyed
an Austrian submarine in the Ad-
riatic.

CHIEF ENGINEER DIES

E. P. Pleasants Seized with Illness
While on Train

E. P. Pleasants, chief engineer of
the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad,
died shortly before 1 o'clock yester-
day afternoon in a special car at
Union Station Washington Mr. Pleas-
ants's wife and two daughters were
traveling north from their home, Wil-
mington, N. C. At Alexandria, Mr.
Pleasants, who is 65 years old, was
taken seriously ill, and Dr. Martin
D. Delaney boarded the train and
treated him on the way to Washing-
ton.

At Union Station Dr. John A.
O'Donoghue, was called, but the pa-
tient died a few hours later. Death
probably was due to apoplexy.

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ITALY DECLARES WAR ON TURKEY

Naby Dey, Turkish Ambas-
sador at Rome, Given
His Passports

EFFECT ON BALKANS

Roumanian Cabinet Firmly Resolved
Not to Allow Munitions of War to
Pass Through Country

Rome, Aug. 23.—Italy has declared
war on Turkey. The Turkish ambas-
sador to Rome, Naby Bey, has been
handed his passports and will depart
immediately for Switzerland. March-
ese Garroni, the Italian ambassador to
Constantinople, has been requested to
notify the Turkish government of It-
aly's intention, and immediately to
demand his right of safe conduct from
the country.

The declaration came at the end
of a short cabinet session Saturday.
The Italian government had demanded
that reservists of the Italian army be
permitted to leave Turkey without re-
striction.

In announcing the declaration of
war the government cited two pri-
mary causes; The Turkish support of
the revolt in Libya; and the prevention
by Turkey of the departure of Ital-
ian residents in Syria.

London, Aug. 23.—A Reuter dis-
patch from Sofia, Bulgaria, says:

"Private advices from Bucharest
state it is feared there that Germany
has sent an ultimatum of war to Rou-
mania regarding the right to trans-
port munitions of war for Turkey
through Roumanian territory. The
Roumanian cabinet is firmly resolv-
ed not to grant this permission."

"A large number of cars laden
with war material have been held up
at Predeal, a village near the Toms
Pass, where it is reported Roumanian
troops are concentrating. Troops also
are massing at Jassy, about 200 miles
northeast of Bucharest, and the petro-
leum regions have been heavily gar-
risoned."

CARDINALS EASILY VICTORS

Win From St. Dominics by Score of
17 to 4.

St. Dominic team, leaders of the
Holy Name League, did not prove to
be very strong or troublesome to the
fast Cardinals yesterday being beaten
by the score 17 to 4. Liston who
started for the Church lads was not
very effective after the first inning
being combed in the second for 8
runs, by the home lads. Welsh reliev-
ed him and did well for three inn-
ings and was relieved by Brandt. Golic
Gerardi and his brothers, Joe and
Frank, played excellent ball fielding
and hitting well. Walker, McBride
and Codmore hit the ball hard, last
named making a clean home run.
Next Sunday the Trinity team will be
the Cardinals opponents.

GAMBLING ON A STEAMER

Former Detective Kleindienst, of
Washington, Arrested on Steamer
St. Johns

Former Detective Raymond O.
Kleindienst, of Washington, recently
indicted in connection with the inves-
tigation into graft charges made
against the police, was caught at-
tempting to run a sweat board in the
gentlemen's washroom on the saloon
deck of the steamer St. Johns just
before that boat reached Colonial
Beach Saturday night.

Capt. C. A. Slye, of the St. Johns
stepped into the lavatory and sur-
prised Kleindienst, who had started
to play with five others. Capt. Slye
severely reprimanded Kleindienst,
placed him under arrest and put him
ashore when the boat stopped at the
beach.

DEATH NOTICE.

Died Saturday morning, August 21st,
1915 at her home, 1109 King street
ALICE G. POSS. Funeral Tues-
day at 5 p. m. from her residence.
Friends and relatives invited.

PEACHES—Dr. Outcalt will have
choice peaches for sale all week.
122 S. Washington, Street.

EXPERIENCE ON SUBMARINE

Commander and Five Sailors on
Diver Succumb During Ter-
rific Ordeal

Milan, Aug. 23.—The Italian sub-
marine Nereid, which the Austrians
asserted they had sunk, has arrived
safely at a port in the Adriatic, hav-
ing escaping from the Austrian war
ship.

Her crew suffered a nerve-rack-
ing ordeal through the fact that the
nereid was compelled to remain under
water for seventy hours because of
an accident to her machinery, the
commander of the submarine and
three men of the crew dying from
exhaustion. The submerged men
worked without rest for the seventy
hours, at which time the repairs were
completed and the vessel rose to the
surface. She immediately headed for
an Italian naval base. Two more of
the crew died on the way to port.

For a great period of the seventy
hours the imprisoned men were with-
out food and were in complete dark-
ness.

The nereid when attacked by the
Austrians, was compelled to sink be-
low the waves in great haste owing
to the superior forces arrayed
against her.

FEARED TO TELL OF TRAGEDY

Little Girl Finally Worried into
Breaking Secret of Drowning

Mauch Chunk, Pa., Aug. 23.—Trou-
bled and conscience-stricken over
what she knew of the mysterious dis-
appearance of her 4 year old brother,
the sister of Stephen Luici, who,
with his sister and mother, came to
Coalport from New York to visit re-
latives, confessed that while she and
the boy were crossing the Lehigh
Canal on a plank at Leonard's Lock
at Coalport, he fell into the canal.

The sister who is two years old,
made a heroic effort to save the boy's
life, but without avail. She was afraid
to relate the story of the drowning
until she could hide it no longer out
of worry.

TRAIN WRECKED IN TUNNEL

Motorman, Conductor and Four Pas-
sengers Injured

Seranton, Pa., Aug. 23 Crashing
into half ton of rock that had been
jammed from the roof of the tunnel
car, a train on the Laurel line was
derailed yesterday morning in the
middle of the tunnel, injuring the
motorman and conductor and four
passengers. The train piled up
against the rocky sides of the tunnel
when it left the rails, and the for-
ward portion of the leading car was
badly smashed. The current short-
circuited, leaving the tunnel dark,
probably saved from electrocution
those injured.

Although suffering from serious in-
juries, Motorman Wescott managed
to get to the entrance of the tunnel,
half a mile away, and flag other
trains. Then he got word of the ac-
cident to the Seranton terminal and
aid was dispatched to the injured.

2,500,000 HURLED AT RUSSIA

Attacking Lines From Riga to Galicia
in Effort to Crush Slav Armies
Petrograd, Aug. 23.—More than 2,
500,000 Austro-Germans are being
hurled against the Russian lines from
Riga to Galicia in an attempt to crush
the Grand Duke's armies.

A semi-official statement today esti-
mates that 120 divisions of infantry
and twenty divisions of cavalry are
operating against the Russians. This
includes about 40 per cent of all
German forces and 70 per cent of
the strength of Austria.

AUTO CAUSES SCARE

Several men standing in front of
the cigar store of Capt. Young on
King street, were given a scare short-
ly after 8 o'clock Saturday night
when an automobile, which turned the
corner of King and Royal streets, go-
ing west, made an effort to climb on
the sidewalk. It collided with an au-
tomobile belonging to the Fletcher-
Dumaine Company, damaging the
fender of that car. No one was in-
jured.

NOTICE

I hereby give notice to the public
that I will not from this date be re-
sponsible for any debts contracted by
my wife, Gertrude F. Kirby.
THOMAS R. KIRBY,
212 South Henry St.

UNITED STATES' NOTE TO BERLIN

Germany Will Be Told That
Further Parleying
Will Be Useless

AN END OF ARGUMENT

Many Speculations Are Made as to
What Will Follow Final Represen-
tation to Germany.

Washington, Aug. 23.—The United
States will act promptly and decisively
as soon as all the facts in con-
nection with destruction of the White
Star liner Arabic by a German sub-
marine have been received.

There is a well-grounded impression
in official quarters that the Arabic
case is not to be followed by discus-
sive, diplomatic correspondence. The
German government is to be given an
opportunity to offer an explanation of
what now appears to be another viola-
tion of international law, but the ad-
ministration is expected to draft a
brief note on the uselessness of ex-
tended diplomatic parleying, and ask-
ing definitely that Germany give the
assurances which this government has
been trying for months to obtain. The
note is expected to be a missive of
less than 500 words, with a tone of
finality.

The opinion in official circles is that
a break in the relations between the
two countries is at least a possibility.
The view is that the note must be a
plain, unequivocal statement by this
government that it cannot excuse or
justify such an attack as was made
on the Arabic, on which Americans
were traveling.

It is expected the note will point
out briefly that German submarines
are fast vessels, equipped with guns,
and that events of the past few
months have demonstrated they are
able to observe the recognized prac-
tices of warfare in dealing with sus-
pected merchantmen.

It probably will be contended that
submarines should have little fear of
attack from any vessel approached,
and their speed and submersible pow-
ers afford them a minimum of danger
from attack by slower cruisers, gun-
boats or patrol vessels.

With this broad premise, the Unit-
ed States is prepared to close the
argument regarding its demand that
submarines shall warn before attack-
ing liners upon which there are Amer-
icans. It is believed the administra-
tion will ask for the last time wheth-
er it is the intention of the German
government to recognize the interna-
tional law principle of visit and search.

Failure of Germany to give such as-
surances at this critical stage will be
fraught with grave possibilities, af-
fecting the diplomatic relations of the
two governments. It is taken for
granted in official quarters the Amer-
ican representations to Germany will
have the tenor of finality, reflecting
the impatience of this government
that since the sinking of the Lusitania
nearly four months ago, diplomatic
correspondence and controversy has
not been fruitful of an understanding
between the two nations.

Questions yet to be answered be-
fore this government finally shapes
its course are:

Was the Arabic convoyed when at-
tacked, or had she been convoyed pre-
viously?

Was she attempting to escape,
which might be assumed from the
Covington affidavit that she suddenly
changed her course?

Was the Arabic en route to the
stricken Dunsley, previously torpedoed
in the same vicinity?

Was she attempting to run down
and ram the submarine?

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I hereby give notice to the public
that I will not from this date be re-
sponsible for any debts contracted by
anyone other than myself.
Frank Wooster.

FOR SALE—Heavy team will match
young horses, Address P. O. Box
184 Alexandria, Va. 21-1w.P

POSITION OF UNITED STATES

Senator Lewis Says Country Will Not
be forced into War by England.

Denver, Colo. Aug. 23.—United
States Senator James Hamilton Lewis
of Illinois, in an interview on the sink-
ing of the Arabic by a German sub-
marine said:

"The American government meant
exactly what it said when it told Ger-
many an inexcusable wrong to an
American citizen would be treated as
a deliberately unfriendly act. The
people must understand that United
States will not allow England to force
us into war with Germany as a result
of the deliberate acts of England."

"If England converted the passeng-
er ship Arabic into an arsenal as
claimed— from which the provide as-
sault against Germany and then in-
vited American passengers to innocent-
ly risk their lives in taking passage
on such ship, England is the offend-
er against America. If England took
Americans aboard as a shield from the
consequences of her violation of the
laws of humanity and of war, she
cannot by that lawlessness drag the
United States to war."

"The United States will investigate
carefully, act cautiously and move
with finality. She will not explode,
nor will the administration at Wash-
ington be victimized by any warning
nation into being its ally."

"Only the wrong of Germany to the
United States will be the occasion for
our act against Germany, not the
wrong of England to us."

LOCAL BREVITIES

The Willard W. C. T. U. will meet
tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock
in Trinity M. E. Church.

Rev. Frank T. Ridgeway pastor of
the Methodist Church South at
Bluemont, Va., occupied the pulpit at
the M. E. Church yesterday morning.

The Alexandria Trades Council will
meet tonight at which time it is ex-
pected they will endorse the candidacy
of Howard T. Colvin for state com-
missioner of labor.

The body of Mrs. Lillie Burnema
Allen, who died at her home in Del
Ray last night, was shipped to Cul-
peper, Va., today for interment.
Mrs. Allen was 44 years old.

Improvement of a number of roads
which will lead into the Mt. Vernon
Avenue between Washington and Alex-
andria will be considered by the
board of supervisors of the county
who will meet today for the purpose
of letting contracts for this work.

Funeral services for William R.
Robertson, whose death was the re-
sult of a fall from a freight train
near Acra, Va., Friday, took place
yesterday afternoon from Demaine's
undertaking chapel and was con-
ducted by the Rev. Edgar Carpenter.

A special meeting of the board of
police commissioners and the commit-
tee on finance and police of city
council will be held tomorrow night
at 7 o'clock at which time plans will
be discussed for the policing of the
territory recently annexed to Alex-
andria.

An important meeting of the Re-
tail Merchants' of Alexandria will
be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the
rooms of the Chamber of Commerce
to discuss the fight against the state
authorities who are attempting to
collect back taxes for the past five
years.

Hard Shell Crabs, Deviled Crabs,
and Crab Salad, in our own delicious
style. Jacob Brill, foot of King St.

KILLED BY A TRAIN

Sick Passenger Left it in Morning
and in Evening it Mangled Him

York, Pa., Aug. 23.—An excursion
train on the Maryland and Pennsyl-
vania Railroad, last night ran down
and fatally mangled Ross Sheetz, a
farmer of Laurel, York County, as he
lay helplessly sick on the rails. He
found yesterday morning and died at
the York Hospital.

Sheetz had started out with the ex-
cursion for Baltimore Saturday morn-
ing, but was taken sick and left the
train at the first station and started
to walk back home. It is presumed
that he fell on the tracks, and as
there was no other traffic, lay until
the same train returning, struck him.

CONFESSION OF A PARRICIDE

Young Man Acknowledges
he Murdered His Father
Recently

DOMESTIC TROUBLES

Frederick County, Va., Farmer Shot
Down—Body Rolled Into Ditch and
Covered With Earth.

Winchester, Va. Aug. 23.—William
Brown was arrested here Saturday
night, suspected of murdering his
father, John W. Brown a Frederick
County farmer, whose body was
found on Saturday afternoon by a
party of young men in the mountain-
ous section west of Winchester. While
being questioned in jail, he broke
down and confessed. Young Brown
told the authorities many details of
the shooting and declared he would
have more to reveal at the trial. It
is known that the elder Brown and
his wife, formerly Miss Nette Easton,
Capon Bridge, W. Va., did not live
peacefully and neighbors declare
Brown ordered her away two months
ago. This was resented by young
Brown and others of the family.

The youth made several trips to
Capon Bridge to see his mother, and
she returned to the Brown home on
Thursday.

Family connections and neighbors
had been inquiring as to the where-
abouts of the elder Brown, who had
been missing since August 9, but noth-
ing developed until Saturday after-
noon, when the body was found.

Young Brown told the police that
he and his father were several hun-
dred yards away from the house on the
morning of August 9, when, at 10
o'clock he fired his shotgun at his
father who threw up his hands. The
son then fired a second shot. One en-
tered the stomach and the other pen-
etrated the heart, causing instant
death.

Brown said he dragged the body a
short distance, rolled it in a ditch
near the creek, dug some earth with
a shovel he had previously secreted
near-by and covered the corpse with
dirt and leaves. He threw the shov-
el and shovel away.

When found the body was partly
exposed, and water from the creek,
which had risen during the recent
rains, was running over it. The body
was badly decomposed.

The funeral was held this afternoon

GEORGIA'S AFFAIR

Rabbi Silverman Asks Jews to Keep
Hands Off

New York, Aug. 23.—The Rev. Dr.
Joseph Silverman, one of the most
prominent Jewish rabbis in the city
and an officer in the B'nai B'rith or-
gan that New York Jews should with-
hold taking any action whatever to-
ward bringing to punishment the
murderers of Leo M. Frank. He said
that it was the affair of the State of
Georgia and that that State should
be given every opportunity to catch
the members of the mob which took
Frank from the Milledgeville prison
and to punish them.

"Jews in this city were interested
in establishing the innocence of Frank
because many believed him innocent
and that he did not have a fair trial,"
Dr. Silverman said. "After all, it
is Georgia's affair, and I know there
are many splendid citizens there who
regret what has taken place and who
would like the mob leaders punished."

COLORED MAN SHOT.

James W. Rollins, colored, was
shot below the arm at 10 o'clock Sat-
urday night by an unidentified man
while crossing the overhead bridge on
his way to this city. Rollins was ac-
companied by Ollie Brown, colored
and the latter says the shooting was
without provocation. His assailant
escaped. Policeman Kerns took Roll-
ins to the Alexandria Hospital where
he was treated.

FOR SALE—100 White Leghorn
Hens—good layers. R. N. Rust,
R. F. D. No. 2 23-1w